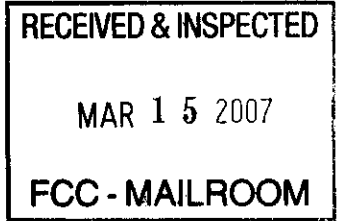


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Date: 3/15/07

Att: Office of the Secretary

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Fax: 202-418-0187

From: ESTHER KAHN - MERKAZ BNOS H.S.

COMMENTS:

Enclosed please find our letter of
appeal requesting a review of a USAC
denial of funding request #1433048 on
form 471-520594 for funding year 2006
and supporting documents.

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Please call us immediately at (718) 259 - 5600 if the fax you receive is incomplete or illegible.

Kindly deliver this message to the above- referenced immediately upon receipt.

Thank You.

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March 13, 2007

FCC- Office of the Secretary
Letter of Appeal
Request for Review
cc Docket No. 02-6

This is a letter of appeal requesting a review of USAC's denial of funding, request # 1433048 on form 471 # 520594, funding year 2006, for the firewall for Merkaz Bnos High School, billed entity # 153341.

The denial states:

1. "The contract provided was not dated by the service provider." However, the contract provided, PCN # 134, was dated at the top with the date 2/15/06.
2. "At the time you submitted your form 471 application you did not have a signed and dated contract in place with your service provider."
However
 - a. The contract, which was dated on top, was signed at the bottom by the service provider.
 - b. The contract was signed below the service provider signature by me- Esther Kahn, Assistant Principal, authorized representative of Merkaz Bnos High School and dated next to my signature with the date 2/15/06.
 - c. The contract, PCN #134, was then faxed back to PC University on 2/15/06 at 3:13 PM, as indicated on our fax confirmation receipt.
 - d. Our form 471 # 520594 with our Item 21 attachment was submitted on line on 2/15/06 at 10:51:13 P.M., seven hours after our contract was signed, as indicated in our SLD form 41 narrative printout.

I am enclosing a copy of:

1. Our letter of appeal to USAC.

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2. USAC- Administrator's Decision on Appeal- Funding Year 2006-2007.
3. Funding Commitment Decision letter for funding year 2006.
4. Contract in question along with FAX confirmation receipt. Dated 2/15/06 Time 3:13 PM
5. Form 471, #520594, with our certification and item 21 attachment package Dated: 2/15/06 Time: 10:51:13 PM

We feel that these documents show that we satisfied the requirement that we have a signed and dated contract in place with our service provider before the filing of our form 471.

Thank you.



Esther Kahn
Assistant Principal
Merkaz Bnos High School
1400 West 6th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11204
Tel: 718-259-5600
Fax: 718-259-8024
email: Info@merkaz.org

Letter of Appeal

1. The person to contact is:

Esther Kahn
Assistant Principal
Merkaz Bnos High School
1400 West 6th St.
Brooklyn, NY 11204
718-259-5600
Fax: 718-259-8024
email: info@merkaz.org

2. Appellant name: Merkaz Bnos High School.

Appellant name: Merkaz Bnos High School.

Service provider name: PC University Distributors, Inc.

Applicant BEN: 153341

Service Provider Identification Number 143011905

Form 471 Application Number: 520594

Funding Commitment Decision Letter for Funding Year 2006 dated 11/14/2006.

We are appealing the decision not to fund request number 1433048 and the text "FCC rules require that a contract for the products/services be signed and dated by both parties prior to the filing of the form 471. This requirement was not met."

Enclosed is a copy of:

1- The Funding Commitment Decision Letter for funding year 2006.

2- The contract in question along with the FAX confirmation receipt.
Dated: 2/15/2006 Time: 3:13 PM

3- Our copy of form 471-520594 with our certification and item 21 attachment package dated
2/15/2006. Time: 10:51:13 PM

These documents show that our contract for the services listed in our 471 was signed on
2/15/2006 and faxed back to PC University on 2/15/06 at 3:13 PM whereas our 471 was filed on
2/15/06 at 10:51:13 PM which satisfies the requirements that the contract for services be signed
and dated prior to do the filing of our 471.

On the basis, we are therefore appealing to have the denial decision over turned.

Thank you,

Esther Kahn



Universal Service Administrative Company
Schools & Libraries Division

Administrator's Decision on Appeal – Funding Year 2006-2007

January 24, 2007

Esther Kahn
Merkaz Bnos High School
1400 West 6th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11204

Re: Applicant Name: MERKAZ BNOS H.S.
Billed Entity Number: 153341
Form 471 Application Number: 520594
Funding Request Number(s): 1433048
Your Correspondence Received: January 02, 2007

After thorough review and investigation of all relevant facts, the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has made its decision in regard to your appeal of USAC's Funding Year 2006 Funding Commitment Decision Letter for the Application Number indicated above. This letter explains the basis of USAC's decision. The date of this letter begins the 60 day time period for appealing this decision to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). If your Letter of Appeal included more than one Application Number, please note that you will receive a separate letter for each application.

Funding Request Number(s): 1433048
Decision on Appeal: **Denied**
Explanation:

- Upon thorough review of the appeal letter and relevant documents, USAC has determined that, at the time you submitted your Form 471 application, you did not have a signed contract in place with your service provider. During the application review, the applicant was asked to provide copies of signed and dated contracts. In the response provided to USAC on October 31, 2006, the contract provided ~~was~~ was not dated by the service provider. FCC Rules state that a contract must be signed and dated on or after the Allowable Contract Date as calculated by the Form 470 posting date, but prior to the submission of the Form 471. In this case, you have not demonstrated that you have complied with FCC Rules; therefore, the appeal is denied.

- USAC has determined that, at the time you submitted your Form 471 application, ~~✗~~ you did not have a signed and dated contract for services in place with your service provider(s) for services other than tariffed or month-to-month services. ~~✗~~ FCC Rules require that applicants submit a completed FCC Form 471 "upon signing a contract for eligible services." 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.504(c). The FCC Rules further require that both beneficiaries and service providers must retain executed contracts, signed and dated by both parties. See Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Fifth Report and Order and Order, 19 FCC Rcd 15808, 15824-26, FCC 04-190 para. 48 (rel. Aug. 13, 2004). The FCC has consistently upheld USAC's denial of funding when there is no contract in place for the funding request. See Request for Review by Waldwick School District, Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, File No. SLD-256981, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 18 FCC Rcd. 22994, DA 03-3526 (rel. Nov. 5, 2003). The FCC Form 471 instructions under Block 5 clearly state that you MUST sign a contract for all services that you order on your Form 471 except tariffed services and month-to-month services. See Instructions for Completing the Schools and Libraries Universal Service, Services Ordered and Certification Form, OMB 3060-0806 (November 2004) at page 23.

If your appeal has been approved, but funding has been reduced or denied, you may appeal these decisions to either USAC or the FCC. For appeals that have been denied in full, partially approved, dismissed, or canceled, you may file an appeal with the FCC. You should refer to CC Docket No. 02-6 on the first page of your appeal to the FCC. Your appeal must be received or postmarked within 60 days of the date on this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. If you are submitting your appeal via United States Postal Service, send to: FCC, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554. Further information and options for filing an appeal directly with the FCC can be found in the "Appeals Procedure" posted in the Reference Area of the SLD section of the USAC website or by contacting the Client Service Bureau. We strongly recommend that you use the electronic filing options.

We thank you for your continued support, patience and cooperation during the appeal process.

Schools and Libraries Division
Universal Service Administrative Company



Universal Service Administrative Company
Schools & Libraries Division

FUNDING COMMITMENT DECISION LETTER
(Funding Year 2006: 07/01/2006 - 06/30/2007)

November 14, 2006

Esther Kahn
MERKAZ ENOS H.S.
1400 WEST 6TH ST
BROOKLYN, NY 11204

Re: Form 471 Application Number: 520594
Billed Entity Number (BEN): 153341
Billed Entity FCC RN: 0012105052
Applicant's Form Identifier: 14009F

Thank you for your Funding Year 2006 application for Universal Service Support and for any assistance you provided throughout our review. The current status of the funding request(s) in the Form 471 application cited above and featured in the Funding Commitment Report(s) (Report) at the end of this letter is as follows.

- The amount, \$1,028.92 is "Denied."

Please refer to the Report on the page following this letter for specific funding request decisions and explanations. The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) is also sending this information to your service provider(s) so preparations can begin for implementing your approved discount(s) after you file Form 486 (Receipt of Service Confirmation Form). A guide that provides a definition for each line of the Report precedes the Report.

A list of Important Reminders and Deadlines is included with this letter to assist you throughout the application process.

NEXT STEPS

- Work with your service provider to determine if you will receive discounted bills or if you will request reimbursement from USAC after paying your bills in full
- Review technology planning approval requirements
- Review CIPA requirements
- File Form 486
- Invoice USAC using the Form 474 (service provider) or Form 472 (Billed Entity) - as products and services are being delivered and billed

TO APPEAL THIS DECISION:

If you wish to appeal a decision in this letter, your appeal must be received by USAC or postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. In your letter of appeal:

1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and (if available) email address for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.
2. State outright that your letter is an appeal. Include the following to identify the letter and the decision you are appealing:
 - Appellant name,
 - Applicant name and service provider name, if different from appellant,
 - Applicant BEN and Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN),
 - Form 471 Application Number 520594 as assigned by USAC,
 - "Funding Commitment Decision Letter for Funding Year 2006," AND
 - The exact text or the decision that you are appealing.

3. Please keep your letter to the point, and provide documentation to support your appeal. Be sure to keep a copy of your entire appeal, including any correspondence and documentation.
4. If you are the applicant, please provide a copy of your appeal to the service provider(s) affected by USAC's decision. If you are the service provider, please provide a copy of your appeal to the applicant(s) affected by USAC's decision.
5. Provide an authorized signature on your letter of appeal.

To submit your appeal to USAC by email, email your appeal to appeals@sl.universalservice.org. USAC will automatically reply to incoming emails to confirm receipt.

To submit your appeal to USAC by fax, fax your appeal to (973) 599-6542.

To submit your appeal to USAC on paper, send your appeal to:

Letter of Appeal
Schools and Libraries Division - Correspondence Unit
100 South Jefferson Road
P.O. Box 902
Whippany, New Jersey 07981

While we encourage you to resolve your appeal with USAC first, you have the option of filing an appeal directly with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). You should refer to CC Docket No. 02-6 on the first page of your appeal to the FCC. Your appeal must be received by the FCC or postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. We strongly recommend that you use the electronic filing options described in the "Appeals Procedure" posted in the Reference Area of our website. If you are submitting your appeal via United States Postal Service, send to: FCC, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554.

NOTICE ON RULES AND FUNDS AVAILABILITY

An applicants' receipt of funding commitments is contingent on their compliance with all statutory, regulatory, and procedural requirements of the Schools and Libraries Program. Applicants who have received funding commitments continue to be subject to audits and other reviews that USAC and/or the FCC may undertake periodically to assure that funds that have been committed are being used in accordance with all such requirements. USAC may be required to reduce or cancel funding commitments that were not issued in accordance with such requirements, whether due to action or inaction, including but not limited to that by USAC, the applicant, or the service provider. USAC, and other appropriate authorities (including but not limited to the FCC), may pursue enforcement actions and other means of recourse to collect improperly disbursed funds. The timing of payment of invoices may also be affected by the availability of funds based on the amount of funds collected from contributing telecommunications companies.

Schools and Libraries Division
Universal Service Administrative Company

A GUIDE TO THE FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT

A report for each funding request in your application is attached to this letter. We are providing the following definitions for the items in that report.

FORM 471 APPLICATION NUMBER: The unique identifier assigned to a Form 471 application by USAC.

FUNDING REQUEST NUMBER (FRN): A Funding Request Number is assigned by USAC to each Block 5 of your Form 471. This number is used to report to applicants and service providers the status of individual funding requests submitted.

FUNDING STATUS: Each FRN will have one of the following statuses:

1. "Funded" - the FRN is approved for support. The funding level will generally be the level requested unless USAC determined during the application review process that some adjustment is appropriate.
2. "Not Funded" - the FRN is one for which no funds were committed. The reason for the decision will be briefly explained in the "Funding Commitment Decision Explanation." An FRN may be "Not Funded" because the request does not comply with program rules, or because the total amount of funding available for the Funding Year was insufficient to fund all requests.
3. "As Yet Unfunded" - a temporary status assigned to an FRN when USAC is uncertain at the time the letter is sent about whether sufficient funds exist to make commitments for requests for Internal Connections Other than Basic Maintenance or Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections at a particular discount level. For example, if your application included requests for discounts on both Telecommunications Services and Internal Connections, you might receive a letter with funding commitments for your Telecommunications Services funding requests and with an "As Yet Unfunded" status on your Internal Connections requests. You would receive one or more subsequent letters regarding the funding decisions on your Internal Connections requests.

CATEGORY OF SERVICE: The type of service ordered from the service provider, as shown on your Form 471.

FORM 470 APPLICATION NUMBER: The Form 470 Application Number associated with this FRN from Block 5, Item 12 of the Form 471.

SPIN (Service Provider Identification Number): A unique number assigned by USAC to service providers seeking payment from the Universal Service Fund Programs. A SPIN is also used to verify delivery of services and to arrange for payment.

SERVICE PROVIDER NAME: The legal name of the service provider.

CONTRACT NUMBER: The number of the contract between the eligible party and the service provider, if a contract number was provided on your Form 471.

BILLING ACCOUNT NUMBER: The account number that your service provider has established with you for billing purposes, if a Billing Account Number was provided on your Form 471.

SERVICE START DATE: The Service Start Date for this FRN from Block 5, Item 19 of your Form 471.

CONTRACT EXPIRATION DATE: The Contract Expiration Date for this FRN from Block 5, Item 20b of your Form 471, if a contract expiration date was provided on your Form 471.

SITE IDENTIFIER: The Entity Number listed in Form 471, Block 5, Item 22a for "site specific" FRNs only.

NUMBER OF MONTHS RECURRING SERVICE PROVIDED IN FUNDING YEAR: The number of months of service that has been approved for the funding year, for recurring services.

ANNUAL PRE-DISCOUNT AMOUNT FOR ELIGIBLE RECURRING CHARGES: Eligible monthly pre-discount amount approved for recurring charges multiplied by number of months of recurring service approved for the funding year.

ANNUAL PRE-DISCOUNT AMOUNT FOR ELIGIBLE NON-RECURRING CHARGES: Annual eligible non-recurring charges approved for the funding year.

PRE-DISCOUNT AMOUNT: Amount in Form 471, Block 5, Item 23I, as determined through the application review process.

DISCOUNT PERCENTAGE APPROVED BY USAC: The discount rate that USAC approved for this service.

FUNDING COMMITMENT DECISION: The total amount of funding that USAC has reserved to reimburse your service provider for the approved discounts for this service for this funding year. It is important that both you and your service provider recognize that USAC should be invoiced and that disbursement of funds will be made only for eligible, approved services actually rendered.

FUNDING COMMITMENT DECISION EXPLANATION: This entry provides an explanation of the amount in the "Funding Commitment Decision."

FCDL DATE: The date of this Funding Commitment Decision Letter (FCDL).

WAVE NUMBER: The wave number assigned to FCDLs issued on this date.

LAST ALLOWABLE DATE FOR DELIVERY AND INSTALLATION FOR NON-RECURRING SERVICES: The last date approved by the FCC for delivery and installation of eligible non-recurring services (e.g., equipment). (The last allowable date for delivery and installation of recurring services is always the last day of the fund year, that is, June 30, 2007 for Funding Year 2006.)

FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT
Billed Entity Name: MERKAZ ENOS H.S.
BEN: 153341
Funding Year: 2006

Form 471 Application Number: 520594
Funding Request Number: 1433048
Funding Status: Not Funded
Category of Service: Internet Access
Form 470 Application Number: 146450000553921
SPIN: 143011905
Service Provider Name: PC University Distributors
Contract Number: PCU134
Billing Account Number: N/A
Service Start Date: 07/01/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2007
Site Identifier: 153341
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$.00
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$1,143.24
Pre-discount Amount: \$1,143.24
Discount Percentage Approved by the USAC: N/A
Funding Commitment Decision: \$0.00 - Contract Violation
Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: FCC rules require that a contract for the products/services be signed and dated by both parties prior to the filing of the Form 471. This requirement was not met.
ECDL Date: 11/14/2006
Wave Number: 030
Last Allowable Date for Delivery and Installation for Non-Recurring Services: 09/30/2007



February 15, 2006

Merkaz Bnos High School
Esther Khan
Via fax: 718-259-8024

Contract # PCU134
Pin # 143011905

Dear Ms. Khan,

PC University appreciates the opportunity to assist you with your computing needs. As per your request, I am pleased to offer the following price quotation.

Quantity	Description	Unit Price	Extended Price
2	SONICWALL - SOFTWARE 01-SSC-5844 COMP GATEWAY SEC SUITE TZ 170 UNRESTRICTED BOXED PAPER LICENSE	\$359.24	\$718.48
2	SONICWALL - SOFTWARE 01-SSC-5650 CONTENT FILTERING PREM BUSINESS TZ/TELE/SOHO BOXED PAPER LICENSE	\$867	\$1,734
	Shipping		\$0
	Total		\$2,452.48

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me @ 516-596-1500.

Sincerely,


Geoffrey M. Miller
gmm@pcuniversity.com

Please sign below if you agree with this contract.

Esther Khan 2/15/06

TRANSMISSION VERIFICATION REPORT

TIME : 02/15/2006 15:15
NAME :
FAX :
TEL :
SER.# : BROB2J135027

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Schools and Libraries Universal Service Description of Services Ordered and Certification Form 471 Estimated Average Burden Hours per Response: 4 hours This form asks schools and libraries to list the eligible telecommunications-related services they have ordered and estimate the annual charges for it. Fund Administrator can set aside sufficient support to reimburse providers for services. Please read instructions before beginning this application. (You can also file online at www.sl.universalservice.org) The instructions include information on the deadlines for filing this application.		
Applicant's Form Identifier (Create your own code to identify THIS form 471)		Form 471 Application# (To be assigned by administrator)
14009F		520594
Block 1: Billed Entity Information (The "Billed Entity" is the entity paying the bills for the service listed on this form.)		
1 a	Name of Billed Entity MERKAZ BNOS H.S.	
2 a	Funding Year: July 1, 2006 Through June 30, 2007 Billed Entity Number: 153341	
4 a	Street Address, P.O. Box, or Routing Number 1400 WEST 6TH ST	
	City BROOKLYN	
	State NY Zip Code 11204	
b	Telephone Number 718-259-5600 c Fax Number —	
5 a	Type of Application <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual School (individual public or non-public school) <input type="checkbox"/> School District (LEA; public or non-public [e.g. diocesan] local district representing multiple schools) <input type="checkbox"/> Library (including library system, library outlet/branch or library consortium as defined under LSTA) <input type="checkbox"/> Consortium <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if any members of this consortium are ineligible or non-governmental entities	
6	Contact Person's Name Esther Kahn	
First, if the Contact Person's Street Address is the same as in Item 4, check this box. If not, please complete the entries for the Street A		
b	Street Address, P.O. Box, or Routing Number 1400 WEST 6TH ST	
	City BROOKLYN	
	State NY Zip Code 11204	
<input type="checkbox"/> c	Telephone Number 718-259-5600 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> d Fax Number 718-259-8024	
<input type="checkbox"/> e	E-mail Address info@merkaz.org	
f	Holiday/vacation/summer contact information	



Entity Number	<u>153341</u>	Applicant's Form Identifier	<u>14009F</u>
Contact Person	<u>Esther Kahn</u>	Phone Number	<u>718-259-5600</u>

This information will facilitate the processing of your applications. Please complete all rows that apply to services for which you are requesting discount information on the FIRST Form 471 you file, to encompass this and all other Forms 471 you will file for this funding year. You need not complete this subsequent Forms 471. Provide your best estimates for the services ordered across ALL of your Forms 471.

Schools/school districts complete Item 7. Libraries complete Item 8. Consortia complete Item 7 and/or Item 8.

Block 2: Impact of Services Ordered on Schools

IF THIS APPLICATION INCLUDES SCHOOLS...	BEFORE ORDER	AF
7a Number of students to be served		
e Direct connections to the Internet: Number of drops	1	
f Number of classrooms with Internet access	10	
g Number of computers or other devices with Internet access	50	

Block 3: Impact of Services Ordered on Libraries

NOT APPLICABLE AS THIS APPLICATION IS FOR SCHOOL

Worksheet A No: 783106	Student Count: 77	
Weighted Product (Sum. Column 8): 69.3		Shared Discount: 1

1. School Name: MERKAZ BNOS H.S.		
2. Entity Number: 153341	NCES: aa 89068 40000	
3. Rural/Urban: Urban		
4. Student Count: 77	5. NSLP Students: 61	6. NSLP Students/Students: 79.220%
7. Discount: 90%	8. Weighted Product: 69.3	
9. Pre-K/Adult Ed/Juv: N	10. Alt Disc Mech: N	

Block 5: Discount Funding Request(s)

FRN: 1433048	FCDL Date:
10. Original FRN:	
11. Category of Service: Internet Access	12. 470 Application Number: 146450000553921
13. SPIN: 143011905	14. Service Provider Name: PC University Distributors

15a. Non-Contracted tariffed/Month to Month Service:	15b. Contract Number: PCU134
15c. Covered under State Master Contract:	15d. FRN from Previous Year:
16a. Billing Account Number:	16b. Multiple Billing Account Numbers?:
17. Allowable Contract Date: 01/16/2006	18. Contract Award Date: 07/01/2006
19a. Service Start Date: 07/01/2006	19b. Service End Date:
20. Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2007	
21. Attachment #: PCU1	22. Block 4 Entity Number: 153341
23a. Monthly Charges: \$0.00	23b. Ineligible monthly amt: \$0.00
23c. Eligible monthly amt: \$0.00	23d. Number of months of service: 12
23e. Annual pre-discount amount for eligible recurring charges (23c x 23d): \$0.00	
23f. Annual non-recurring (one-time) charges: \$1,143.24	23g. Ineligible non-recurring amt.: \$0.00
23h. Annual pre-discount amount for eligible non-recurring charges (23f - 23g): \$1,143.24	
23i. Total program year pre-discount amount (23e + 23h): \$1,143.24	
23j. % discount (from Block 4): 90	
23k. Funding Commitment Request (23i x 23j): \$1,028.92	

Block 6: Certifications and Signature

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Application ID:520594

Entity Number	153341	Applicant's Form Identifier	14009F
Contact Person	Esther Kahn	Phone Number	718-259-5600

Block 6: Certifications and Signature

24. ☒ I certify that the entities listed in Block 4 of this application are eligible for support because they are: (check one or both)
- a. ☒ schools under the statutory definitions of elementary and secondary schools found in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. Secs. 7801(18) and (38), that do not operate as for-profit businesses, and do not have endowments exceeding \$50 million; and/or
- b. ☐ libraries or library consortia eligible for assistance from a State library administrative agency under the Library Services and Technology Act of 1996 that do not operate as for-profit businesses and whose budgets are completely separate from any schools including, but not limited to elementary, secondary schools, colleges, or universities
25. ☒ I certify that the entity I represent or the entities listed on this application have secured access, separately or through this program, to all of the resources, including computers, training, software, internal connections, maintenance, and electrical capacity, necessary to use the services purchased effectively. I recognize that some of the aforementioned resources are not eligible for support. I certify that the entities I represent or the entities listed in this application have secured access to all of the resources to pay the discounted charges for eligible services from funds to which access has been secured in the current funding year. I certify that the Billed Entity will pay the non-discount portion of the cost of the goods and services to the service provider(s).

4/1 Information

a.	Total funding year pre-discount amount on this Form 471 (Add the entities from Item 23i on all Block 5 Discount Funding Requests.)	\$1,143.24
b.	Total funding commitment request amount on this Form 471 (Add the entities from Items 23K on all Block 5 Discount Funding Requests.)	\$1,028.92
c.	Total applicant non-discount share (Subtract Item 25b from Item 25a.)	\$114.32
d.	Total budgeted amount allocated to resources not eligible for E-rate support	\$0.00
e.	Total amount necessary for the applicant to pay the non-discount share of the services requested on this application AND to secure access to the resources necessary to make effective use of the discounts. (Add Items 25c and 25d.)	\$114.32
f.	<input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if you are receiving any of the funds in Item 25a directly from a service provider listed on any Forms 471 filed by this Billed Entity for this funding year, or if a service provider listed on any of the Forms 471 filed by this Billed Entity for this funding year assisted you in locating funds in Items 25a.	

26. ☒ I certify that all of the schools and libraries or library consortia listed in Block 4 of this application are covered by technology plans that are written, that cover all 12 months of the funding year, and that have been or will be approved by a state or other authorized body, and an SLD-certified technology plan approver, prior to the commencement of service. The plans are written at the following level(s):

- a. ☒ an individual technology plan for using the services requested in this application; and/or
- b. ☒ higher-level technology plan(s) for using the services requested in this application; or
- c. ☐ no technology plan needed; applying for basic local, cellular, PCS, and/or long distance telephone service and/or voice mail only.

27. ☒ I certify that I posted my Form 470 and (if applicable) made my RFP available for at least 28 days before considering all bids received and selecting a service provider. I certify that all bids submitted were carefully considered and the most cost-effective service offering was selected, with price being the primary factor considered, and is the most cost-effective means of meeting educational needs and technology plan goals.



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38. Signature of authorized person

39. Signature Date

40. Printed name of authorized person
Margie Nussbaum

41. Title or position of authorized person
Principal

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1400 west 8th Street
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FCC Form 471

Services Ordered and Certification Form



Applicant's Form Identifier: 14009F

Entity Number: 153341

Contact Person: Esther Kahn

Phone Number: (718) 259-5600

Block 6: Certifications and Signature

Do not write in this area

471 Application Number: 520594

24. ☒ I certify that the entities listed in Block 4 of this application are eligible for support because they are: (check one or both)

a. ☒ schools under the statutory definitions of elementary and secondary schools found in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. Secs. 7801(18) and (38), that do not operate as for-profit businesses, and do not have endowments exceeding \$50 million; and/or

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a.	Total funding year pre-discount amount on this Form 471 (Add the entries from Item 23i on all Block 5 Discount Funding Requests.)	\$1,143.24
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c.	Total applicant non-discount share (Subtract Item 25b from Item 25a.)	\$114.32
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e.	Total amount necessary for the applicant to pay the non-discount share of the services requested on this application AND to secure access to the resources necessary to make effective use of the discounts. (Add Items 25c and 25d.)	\$114.32
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39. Date 2/15/2006

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471 Application Number:
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Item 21 Attachment Internet Access - Funding Year 2006

Applicant Name MERKAZ BNOS H.S.
Billed Entity Number 153341
Form 471 Application Number 520594
Funding Request Number 1433048
Service Provider PC University Distributors
Attachment Number PCU1
Narrative description of this Funding Request Firewall service with content filtering

Service Type	Service Description	Elig Pre-Discount Cost
1 Broadband Internet Access (e.g. T-1, DSL, Frame Relay, Cable Modem, Wireless)	Sonicwall - software 01-SSC-5844	\$329.24
Number of InternetAccess Lines (if applicable)		0
Recurring Charges		Non Recurring Charges
Monthly Recurring Charges	\$0.00	One-time non-recurring charges \$329.24
Less Ineligible Amount (if any)	\$0.00	Less Ineligible Amount (if any) \$0.00
Number of Months	12	
Eligible recurring charges	\$0.00	Eligible non-recurring charges \$329.24
		Line Item TOTAL \$329.24
2 Broadband Internet Access (e.g. T-1, DSL, Frame Relay, Cable Modem, Wireless)	Sonicwall - software 01-SSC-5650 content filter	\$814.00
Number of InternetAccess Lines (if applicable)		0
Recurring Charges		Non Recurring Charges
Monthly Recurring Charges	\$0.00	One-time non-recurring charges \$814.00
Less Ineligible Amount (if any)	\$0.00	Less Ineligible Amount (if any) \$0.00
Number of Months	12	
Eligible recurring charges	\$0.00	Eligible non-recurring charges \$814.00
		Line Item TOTAL \$814
Total:		\$1,143.24
Funding Requested on 471:		\$1,143.24

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